

MINUTES

The Rogers City Council met in *regular session* in the Council Chambers of the Maurice H. Kolman City Hall Building on Tuesday, February 11, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Greg Hines. The Invocation was given by Eddie Davis of Free Will Baptist Church. Those in attendance were led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC HEARING:

PUBLIC FORUM:

Mayor Hines recognized Eagle Scout Bradley Pund of Troop 226. Congratulations were presented to Bradley for his accomplishment and completion of a project for the VFW Post 3031.

There were no other comments from anyone in the audience.

The Public Forum was declared closed.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mark Kruger, Betsy Reithemeyer, Gary Townzen, Jerry Carmichael, Barney Hayes, Marge Wolf and Mandy Brashear were present. Clay Kendall was absent.

OTHER OFFICIALS PRESENT:

City Attorney Andrew Hatfield, City Clerk-Treasurer Jessica Rush, Staff Attorney John Pesek, Police Chief Hayes Minor, Deputy Fire Chief BJ Hyde, Fire Chief Tom Jenkins, Director of Finance Casey Wilhelm, Parks and Recreation Director Jim White, Water Utilities Superintendent Brent Dobler, Water Utilities Shared Services Manager Jené Huffman-Gilreath, Community Development Director John McCurdy, City Planner Ethan Hunter, Planning Commissioner Mandel Samuels, Public Relations Specialist Hanna Lairy, Records Administrator Jennifer Moore

ACTION ON MINUTES: (January 28, 2020)

Motion by Townzen, second by Reithemeyer to approve the minutes of January 28, 2020 as submitted.

Voice vote: Yes. ***Motion carried.***

Approves the suspending of rules for the meeting.

Motion by Kruger, second by Townzen to suspend the rules to consider all items on the agenda on a single reading and by title only. Roll call: Unanimous – Yes. ***Motion carried.***

REPORTS OF BOARDS AND STANDING COMMITTEES:

(Agenda Item #1)

ORD. #20- Amending Rogers Code Section 14-675 By Re-Zoning Certain Lands From R-Sf To R-O At 1712 & 1716 W. Walnut St.

Carmichael noted there was no representation present and therefore the ordinance was tabled by the committee.

(Agenda Item #2)

ORD. #20-16 Waiving Competitive Bidding For The Purchase Of Tasers And Associated Equipment And Warranties From Axon Enterprise, Inc. Of Scottsdale, Arizona

The ordinance was introduced by Wolf and read by title only by City Attorney Andrew Hatfield.

Wolf, chair of the Public Safety Committee, reported the committee had met, recommended a “Do pass” and recognized Rogers Police Chief Hayes Minor.

No questions for follow up from the Council.

The Mayor asked, “Shall the ordinance pass?” Roll call: Unanimous – Yes. ***The ordinance is adopted.***

The Mayor asked, “Shall the emergency clause pass?”

Roll call: Unanimous – Yes. ***The emergency clause is adopted.***

(Agenda Item #3)

RES. R20-08 Authorizing The Mayor And City Clerk To Execute A Contract For Water Service With The City Of Lowell

The resolution was introduced by Townzen and read by title only by City Attorney Andrew Hatfield.

Townzen, chair of the Public Works Committee, reported the committee had met, recommended a “Do pass” and recognized Rogers Water Utilities Director Brent Dobler.

No questions for follow up from the Council.

Motion by Kruger, second by Brashear to adopt the resolution.

Voice vote: Unanimous – Yes. ***The resolution is adopted.***

(Agenda Item #4)

ORD. #20-17 Waiving Competitive Bidding For The Repair Of The Rogers Aquatic Center’s Lazy River From Multi-Craft Contractors, Inc. Of Springdale, Arkansas

The resolution was introduced by Brashear and read by title only by City Attorney Andrew Hatfield.

Brashear, chair of the Community Services Committee, reported the committee had met, recommended a “Do pass” and recognized Parks and Recreation Director Jim White.

No questions for follow up from the Council.

The Mayor asked, “Shall the ordinance pass?”
Roll call: Unanimous – Yes. ***The ordinance is adopted.***

The Mayor asked, “Shall the emergency clause pass?”
Roll call: Unanimous – Yes. ***The emergency clause is adopted.***

(Agenda Item #5)

RES. R20-09 Amending The 2020 Budget To Recognize Funds From The Arkansas Department Of Health In The Amount Of \$13,905.00 Into Account #100-04-45305

The resolution was introduced by Reithemeyer and read by title only by City Attorney Andrew Hatfield.

Reithemeyer, chair of the Finance Committee, reported the committee had met, recommended a “Do pass” and recognized Rogers Fire Chief Tom Jenkins.

No questions for follow up from the Council.

Motion by Kruger, second by Brashear to adopt the resolution.

Voice vote: Unanimous – Yes. ***The resolution is adopted.***

(Agenda Item #6)

RES. R20-10 Amending The 2020 Budget To Recognize Funds From The Arkansas Department Of Health, Health Protection Substance Misuse And Injury Prevention Branch In The Amount Of \$9,000.00 Into Account #100-04-45305 State Grant Revenue

The resolution was introduced by Reithemeyer and read by title only by City Attorney Andrew Hatfield.

Reithemeyer, chair of the Finance Committee, reported the committee had met, recommended a “Do pass” and recognized Rogers Fire Chief Tom Jenkins.

No questions for follow up from the Council.

Motion by Reithemeyer, second by Brashear to adopt the resolution.

Voice vote: Unanimous – Yes. ***The resolution is adopted.***

(Agenda Item #7)

RES. R20-11 Authorizing The Mayor And City Clerk To Enter Into A Grant Agreement With The Walton Family Foundation To Receive \$142,625.00; Amending The 2020 Budget To Recognize Grant Funds In The Amount Of \$142,625.00 Into Account #100-18-45600 Grants And Donations; Appropriating \$320,295.00 To Various Expense Accounts From Grant Funds And General Fund Reserves

The resolution was introduced by Reithemeyer and read by title only by City Attorney Andrew Hatfield.

Reithemeyer, chair of the Finance Committee, reported the committee had met, recommended a “Do pass” and recognized Director of Community Development John McCurdy.

No questions for follow up from the Council.

Motion by Riethemeyer, second by Brashear to adopt the resolution.

Voice vote: Unanimous – Yes. ***The resolution is adopted.***

None

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

None

APPOINTMENTS:

Giuliana Tartartini-Fields To Replace Matthew Tolson On The Library Board Of Trustees With Term Expiring February 11, 2025

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Kruger, chair of the Transportation Committee notified the council of three street closure approvals for upcoming races in April.

There being no further business, motion by Kruger, second by Wolf to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Jessica Rush, City Clerk-Treasurer

C. Greg Hines, Mayor